

The Hong Kong Daily Press.

No. 4092 號二十九零千四第 日四廿月十國唐 年午庚治同 HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 16th DECEMBER, 1870. 五拜禮 六十月二十年英 港香 [PRICE \$24 PER MONTH.]

Arrivals.

Dec. 15, H.M.S. *Isander*, 380, 3 guns, Lord Charles Scott, Singapore 24th November, and Labuan, 3rd Dec. and Manila 10th Dec. 16, *Havry*, Steam ship, 460, Hansen, Chiofo, December 6th, General-Quintana.

Dec. 15, H.C.M. s.s. *Chen-yo*, 481, Robertson, from Swatow 14th December.

Departures.

Dec. 15, *Chow-wei*, for Amoy, 42.
Dec. 15, *Woon-wei*, for Petrolow, 42.
Dec. 15, *Piccola*, for Uolo, 42.
Dec. 15, *Carl Ritter*, for Chiofo, 42.
Dec. 15, *Luton*, str. for Amoy.

Cleanances.

At the Harbour Master's Office, 15th DECEMBER.

Henry Miller, for Saigon.
Dun de Malakoff, for Bangkok.
Sailing, str. for East Coast, on the 19th.
Puymaure, str. for Swatow, 42.
Pierre, for Bangkok.
Lola, for Manoa.
Eugenie, for Bangkok.

Passengers.

None.

Reports.

The *Siam* ship *Frady* reports on leaving Chiofo, had struck a reef, and N. and N.E. backing to N.W., which carried the ship down until nearly obscured by the reef, on the 10th and 11th last, Western, N.W. and N. winds veering round to N.E., then strong monsoon until *Piedra Blanca*, since then more moderate.

Auction Sale To-day.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Sundry Articles.

Now Open.

ORIENTAL HOTEL.
J. E. HOLLAND, Sole Proprietor.

BOWLING ALLEYS.
BILLIARD ROOM.
RIFLE GALLERY.
MUSIC ROOM.
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE DINING ROOMS.
N. W. & S. O. N. 2101.
INDO-CHINESE RESTAURANT, LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that in accordance with the 35th Clause of the Articles of Association of the Company, the amount of Twelve dollars and fifty cents per share is payable on the 31st December current, at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent per annum will be charged on all calls paid after the 31st December.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th day of December to the 1st day of January, 1871, both days inclusive.

By order,
A. NOEL BLAKEMAN, Secretary.

For Sale.

2 BROADWOOD COTTAGE GRAND
PIANOS, made expressly for this climate. Extra strong and covers.
Apply by letter, to A. B. O. Daily Press Office.

For Sale.

LEAD PIPES, 4 in. to 4 in.
Buller Tubes, 2 in. to 3 in.
J. FRICKEL & Co.
1004 Hongkong, 23rd November, 1870.

For Sale.

10 CASES COGNAC.
"Compagnie Francaise."
DEKODE, DUBOIS & Co.
1004 Hongkong, 23rd November, 1870.

For Sale.

THE "FAB EAST INDIA AND CHINA AND JAPAN ALMANAC FOR 1871," price \$3.50, per Copy.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
2104 Hongkong, 12th December, 1870.

For Sale.

UNTIL further notice the Company are prepared to sell, at a discount of 10 per cent, Whampoa and remnant items in their Store (with Calson cases), at (40) FORTY CENTS PER SHEET.
By Order,
G. N. MITTO, Secretary.

For Sale.

KONG HING LOE & Co.
MANUFACTURERS OF DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.
MAYLAND'S AND COIGAS, TOBACCO, &c.
2124-2125 QUEEN'S ROAD, [Dec. 6] HONGKONG.

For Sale.

COSMOPOLITAN FAMILY HOTEL,
Corner of Egin and Shelley Streets, HONGKONG.

For Sale.

THIS new and commodious HOTEL will be opened on the 1st December proximo. It is situated in a quiet and healthy part of the Town (though within five minutes walk of the Post Office and business section), and from its situation and separate well adapted for a comfortable and pleasant place of sojourn to Families visiting the City. The Proprietor has had long experience in catering for the public, and is assisted by Mrs. HOLMES, who will give special attention to the comfort and care of the Ladies and Children, honoring the House with their patronage.

For Sale.

THE RESTAURANT will be found very convenient for Gentlemen on business at the Hotel and the Public generally. Monthly Board on moderate terms.

The 2nd BILLYARD ROOMS are furnished with "Champion" Billiard, and every convenience will be found for the comfort of players.

Every variety of the choicest Wines and Spirits will be kept constantly on hand, and supplied at very moderate rates.

WARM AND COLD BATHS.

AND every convenience for the comfort of guests will be provided.

For Sale.

EDMUND R. HOLMES.
W.E. CHAMBERLAIN from any part of the City to the Cosmopolitan Hotel, 7th DECEMBER, 1870.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—\$6,000,000 Dollars.

Court of Directors.
Chairman—LI R. LIMANN, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—HOWARD R. BOWMAN, Esq.
George F. Heard, Esq.
Thomas Fyfe, Esq.
George F. Heard, Esq.
S. D. Jackson, Esq.
A. J. Lee, Esq.

Managers.
Hongkong—VICTOR KRESSER, Esq.
Shanghai—DAVID McLEOD, Esq.
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum in the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months 3 per cent. per annum.

Local Bills Discounted.
Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Deposits—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, and elsewhere.

VICTOR KRESSER, Chief Manager.
Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, 23rd July, 1870.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

COKE.—TENDERS will be received until TUESDAY, the 27th instant, for the purchase of the Coke made at this Company's Works, during the period of one year commencing from the 1st day of January next.

Particulars can be obtained on application at the Office, West Point.

A. NEWTON, Manager.
254 2105 Hongkong, 2nd December, 1870.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

REDUCTION IN RATES ON CHINESE RISKS.

ON and after the 15th instant, the minimum rate for the insurance against Fire of Chinese Premises in this Colony will be reduced to Two per cent. per annum.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.
1004 Hongkong, 14th November, 1870.

NOTICE.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, HONGKONG, LIMITED.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM ON CHINESE RISKS.

ON and after the 15th instant, the minimum rate for Insurance against Fire, on First Class Chinese Premises in this Colony, will be Two per cent. per annum, instead of three per cent. as heretofore.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Secretaries, *Victoria Fire Insurance Co., Limited.*
1005 Hongkong, 14th November, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ON and after the 15th instant, the Company will be prepared to accept risks on First Class Chinese Houses at the rate of Two per cent. per annum, instead of Three per cent. as heretofore.

N. J. EDE, Secretary.
31st 1908 Hongkong, 14th November, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

N. J. EDE, Secretary.
304 2099 Hongkong, 2nd December, 1870.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1869.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the undersigned with the following particulars, for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of 20% of the net profits reserved for contributors may be ascertained.

Repayment of contributions for 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
1004 Hongkong, 8th July, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE business which was, the undersigned formerly carried on in Hongkong and other places in China, in the name of PARAL MATHESON & Co., and lately having been carried on as PARAL MATHESON & Co., will from 7th day of December, 1870, be carried on in the name of MATHESON & Co., and the name of PARAL MATHESON & Co. will be retained for the purpose of settling the accounts of the late PARAL MATHESON & Co. at Hongkong, to sign in the name of our firm from the above date.

Dated 21st November, 1870.
153 2133 MARQUESSHOY DAMA & Co.

ROBE & Co. have this day opened a branch of their business in Queen's Road, next to the entrance to the Hongkong Dispensary; the Stock will be found to consist of a Choice Assortment of

GENTLEMEN'S MERCHERY.

FANCY GOODS.
Arrived per steamer "Elgin."
(Signed) J. ROBE.
1004 Hongkong, 2nd November, 1870.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE above Company is prepared to accept risks on MERCHANDISE with average clause, from HONGKONG to SAN FRANCISCO per STEAMER or first class IRON SAILING VESSEL, and also on PORTLAND CEMENT, and other goods, from HONGKONG to SAN FRANCISCO, and ST. LOUIS in the interior, both inclusive. Also on MERCHANDISE by RAILROAD from SAN FRANCISCO to cities in the Eastern States as above, at 5% per cent. RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
1004 Hongkong, 6th August, 1870.

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT.
The Supreme Commission in the occupation of the Supreme Court, Queen's Road Central. If not disposed of by the 1st February next, the building will be let to the highest bidder, or arranged as two sets of offices and dwelling rooms, with godown accommodation on the roof, or as Chambers or offices, this or extra. Apply to Messrs. BAWLING, MIDDLE & Co. (over Hongkong Dispensary), where Plans for rearranging the Premises may be seen.
2nd 2123 Hongkong, 6th December, 1870.

Intimations.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

REGISTERED UNDER THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE, No. 1, OF 1865.

Directors.
The Hon. H. B. GIBB, of Messrs. Gibb, Livingstone & Co. (Chairman).
E. A. HITCHCOCK, Esq., of Messrs. Oliphant & A. MACGILLIVRAY, Esq., of Messrs. Douglas, Livingstone & Co.
EDWARD ARTHUR, Esq., of The Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China.
W. H. COCHRAN, Esq., of Messrs. Smith, Archer & Co.
The Hon. P. BYRNE, of Messrs. Turner & Co.
J. MURPHY FORBES, Esq., of Messrs. Russell & Co.

HEAD OFFICE AT HONGKONG.
Secretary—N. J. EDE, Esq.

Branches.
THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

Agents.
Smyth, Messrs. BRADLEY & Co., Amoy.
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PAID UP CAPITAL \$300,000.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. 4th and 5th Floors, Queen's Road.

THIS DAY.
The 10th instant, at 11 o'clock, will be sold by Public Auction, by LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., 4th and 5th Floors, Queen's Road, the following Goods, viz:—

Coloured PLANNET TWEED, and FINE HATS, Navy Cloth, OATS, Heavy SOAP, GLASSWARE, 3 Cases YORK HAMS, American CLOTH, 2 Cases of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, 4 Cases of Sewing MACHINES, An assortment of 4th and 5th Mantle, FINE TIME-PIECES.

(On account of the concerned.)
4 Cases, containing Black and White JACONETS.

At 11 o'clock, on Friday, the 23rd, at noon, The large Black and White JACONETS, 2165 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 17th December, 1870, at 9 P.M., at No. 9, Wyndham Street, the whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:—Drawing and Bed Room, SUTTER, in Damask; Covered Mahogany, Marble-top TABLES, Marble-top TIME-PIECES, Marble-top CHAIRS, Marble-top BEDROOM, ROBE COUVERS, CHAIRS, Window CURTAINS, ELECTRO-PLATED, and GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

D. L. NORONHA & Co., Auctioneers.
2165 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

NIGHT SALE.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 17th December, 1870, at 8 P.M., in their Sales Room, No. 131, Queen's Road, an Assortment of JEWELLERY, comprising Gold, Silver, and Platinum, and a large quantity of Diamonds, Rubies, Emeralds, and other precious stones, also a large quantity of Clocks, Watches, and other articles.

At 8 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 17th December, 1870, at 8 P.M., in their Sales Room, No. 131, Queen's Road, an Assortment of JEWELLERY, comprising Gold, Silver, and Platinum, and a large quantity of Diamonds, Rubies, Emeralds, and other precious stones, also a large quantity of Clocks, Watches, and other articles.

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Notices of Firms

A mail will close.
Swatow and Amoy.—Per *Fasiyama*, to-
be 16th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per
g-Tung, at 1.30 P.M. to-day, the 16th
at.

Bangkok.—Per Day Dawn, at 4.30 P.M.
 San Francisco.—Per *Frederic Tudor*, at to-day, the 16th instant.
 Manila.—Per *Santa Ana*, to-morrow, 17th instant, at noon.
 Manila.—Per *Villa de Madrid*, to-morrow, the 17th instant, at 5 P.M.
 Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per *Mail Packet Hindostan*, at 11.30 A.M. to-day, the 20th instant.
 Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per *Mail Packet Glenrinye*, on Tuesday,

By the "ENGLISH PACKET"

The English Contract Packet "TRAVAN-
COR," will be dispatched with the usual Mails
for Europe, &c., on WEDNESDAY, the 28th
inst., at noon.

Orders on any of the Money Order
Agents in the United Kingdom will be granted
at 5 P.M. on the 27th instant.

Post-Office will be open until 7 p.m. on the instant.
Letters, &c., may be posted during the night, but the box left open for their reception.
Letters for registration will be received until 10 a.m. on the 28th instant.
Letters may be posted until 10 a.m. on the 28th instant, without late fee:
Letters posted after 10 a.m. on the 28th instant, will not be forwarded unless the rate of 18 cents each as well as the postage

Latest time for posting Letters at this is 11 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, or Cards 10 A.M. on the 23rd instant. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to United Kingdom, *via* Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet at 11.30 A.M. to the time of sailing, on payment of a *Late Fee* of 48 cents each in addition postage.

E. W. MITCHELL.

Postmaster General.
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 14th December, 1870.

is hereby notified for general information,
the Postage on Letters addressed to, Nor-
when forwarded via Southampton, will
forward be 36 cents for each half ounce,
may either be paid in advance, or it may
to be collected on delivery of the Letters.
and Letters will be subject to an additional

on delivery.
F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General,
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1870.

I hereby notified for general information
the Postage (which must be paid in ad-
vance) upon letters addressed to Prince Ed-
ward, will henceforward be as follows,

en forwarded via
 rindisi..... 42 cents each half-ounce.
 en forwarded via
 arseilles..... 36 cents each half-ounce.
 en forwarded via
 outhampton..... 25 cents each half-ounce.
 F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
 al Post-Office.
 ongkong, 28th July, 1870.

hereby notified for general information
 the rates of postage, which must be paid
 on correspondence transmitted from
 Hong Kong or any of the Postal Agencies in
 and Japan to the United Kingdom, by
 the Ship, will in future be as follows, viz.:—
 FOR LETTERS.
 Five cents per half ounce.
 FOR NEWSPAPERS.
 One cent each.

OF BOOK PACKETS AND PATTERNS.
 exceeding 1 oz., 2 cents.
 1 oz., and not exceeding 2 oz., 4 cents.
 2 oz., and not exceeding 4 oz., 8 cents.
 every additional 4 oz., 8 cents.
 unpaid, or insufficiently paid Letters will be
 sent with a fine of Twelve cents in addition
 of deficient postage.
 paid Books and Patterns will be charged
 rate of Twelve cents per four ounces,
 insufficiently paid Books and Patterns will

arged with the deficient postage and a
Six cents each.
Registration fee on Letters, &c., is 3
F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
al Post Office,
ongkong, 20th October, 1870.
Spanish Consul having represented the
ince arising from Letters being contrary

seated on board the Spanish Man of War
leave this harbor forthwith with the
for Manila, it is hereby notified that
forward, all letters, except such as are
in the Mails from this Department,
refused on board these vessels.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

Post Office,
Hong Kong, 2nd December, 1870.

herely notified that in consequence of
creasing difficulties which attend the
mission of the Mails to the United King-
dom, France, it has been determined to
these Mails, for the present, by way of
isi, the Brenner Pass, Prussia and Bel-
rates of postage, which must be paid, in-
de, upon correspondence whether marked
reillets or via Brindisi, will be as follows,

FOR LETTERS.

United Kingdom, 38 cents for each ounce.
United States of America, 42 cents for half-ounces.

NEWSPAPERS AND PRICES CURRENT.
United Kingdom..... 8 cents each.
United States of America..... 10 cents each.

FOR BOOK PACKETS AND PACKETS OF

PATTERNS.
United Kingdom, under 1 ounce in
4 cents; above 1 ounce and not exceed-
ing 8 ounces, 8 cents; above 8 ounces and not
exceeding 4 ounces, 14 cents; for every addi-
tional ounce, 14 cents.
United States of America, 18 cents for
our ounces.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

Post Office.

Whereby notified for general information,
In accordance with the rates of Postage, which
shall be paid in advance, chargeable upon Book
and Packet Stationers posted at Hongkong, or
of the British Postal Agencies in China,
and to be forwarded by the British
Post Office Mail Packets to the Australian Colonies
and New Zealand, will be as follows:

Packet not exceeding 1 ounce	2 cents.
Packet above 1 ounce and not exceeding 2 ounces	4 "
Packet above 2 ounces and not exceeding 4 ounces	8 "
Packet above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces	16 "
In adding 8 cents for every additional 4 or fraction thereof.	

Post Office,
Hongkong, 16th June, 1870.

I hereby notified that henceforward the postage which must be paid in advance, shall be on Packets of printed papers or of light-weight sent from Hongkong to the United Kingdom by the United States via San Francisco, will be as follows,

packet not exceeding 1 ounce	
weight.....	2 cents.
packet above 1 ounce not ex-	
ceeding 2 ounces.....	4 "
packet above 2 ounces not ex-	
ceeding 4 ounces.....	8 "
at cents for every additional four ounces.	
rates apply to Printed Circulars, Price	
market reports, and all printed papers	
man Newspapers, as well as to Books	

de Patterns or Samples.
F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General,
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